



TURTLE POND

Lakeview Twp., Piscataquis Co.
U.S.G.S. Endless Lake, Me (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout

Physical Characteristics

Area - 81 acres

Maximum depth - 27 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 71°

25 feet - 53°

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Turtle Pond is located approximately one mile east of Seboeis Lake in a public lot owned by the State of Maine and managed by the Bureau of Public Lands. The pond is mostly surrounded by mixed growth that is predominately older softwoods except for mainly hardwood growth around the outlet area. Beavers have been active on the pond outlet for many years and have constructed a large dam that adds approximately two feet of water to the pond. The pond was reclaimed in 1975 to remove competing species of fish, such as sunfish and pickerel.

Habitat and water quality are excellent for brook trout and growth is very good. Because there are no tributaries to provide spawning areas, the pond is stocked annually to provide a trout fishery. To prevent introduction of unwanted species a barrier dam was constructed on the outlet, and regulations to close Turtle Pond to ice fishing and to prohibit the use of live fish as bait, were enacted. The beaver dam, barrier dam, and steep nature of the outlet to Seboeis Lake combine to insure that no rough fish will migrate to the pond from Seboeis Lake.

Access is primarily by the Scutaze Trail on the South side of the pond. Two wheel drive vehicles can drive to about one mile from the pond.

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